DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES
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To: School Medical Services Providers   **Memorandum No. 02-79 MAA**
Managed Care Plans   **Issued:** October 17, 2002
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Subject: **Clarification of Client Eligibility Guidelines for School Medical Services**

This memorandum provides replacement page 5/6 for the Medical Assistance Administration's (MAA's) <u>School Medical Services Billing Instructions.</u> This replacement page clarifies client eligibility.

To provide clarification based on significant inquiries, MAA has added a "Who is not eligible?" section on page 5 of its <u>School Medical Services Billing Instructions</u>, dated September 2000. Attached is replacement page 5/6 for these billing instructions.

To obtain MAA's billing instructions and/or numbered memorandums electronically, go to MAA's website at http://maa.dshs.wa.gov (click on the Provider Publications/Fee Schedules link).

Client Eligibility

Who is eligible?

- Clients presenting Medical IDentification (ID) cards with the following identifiers <u>are eligible</u> to receive School Medical Services for Special Education Students:

Medical Program Identifier	Medical Program Name
CNP	Categorically Needy Program
LCP-MNP	Limited Casualty Program-Medically Needy Program

- Children verified as eligible on the eligibility match list provided by the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI) are eligible for school medical services.

Who is not eligible?

Clients presenting Medical ID cards with the following identifiers <u>are not eligible</u> for school medical services:

Medical Program Identifier	Medical Program Name
CNP – CHIP	Categorically Needy Program – Children's Health Insurance Program
CNP- Emergency Medical Only	Categorically Needy Program – Emergency Medical Only
CNP-QMB	Categorically Needy Program – Qualified Medicare Beneficiary
Detox Only	DETOX
Family Planning Only	Family Planning Only
GAU - No Out of State Care	General Assistance Unemployable
General Assistance – No Out of State Care	ADATSA, ADATSA Medical Only
LCP-MNP Emergency Medical Only	Limited Casualty Program-Medically Needy Program Emergency Medical Only
MIP-EMER Hospital Only – No out-of-state care	Medically Indigent Program
QMB-Medicare Only	Qualified Medicare Beneficiary-Medicare Only

How is eligibility for school medical services determined?

As a first step in determining Medicaid eligibility, districts must give OSPI a listing of all students receiving or being evaluated for special education services. Submit this list monthly to OSPI and include the student's full name, birthdate, and social security number, if available. OSPI consolidates all district lists and submits a combined list to MAA for a Medicaid eligibility match.

To verify eligibility, MAA furnishes OSPI with the following information:

- Social Security Number (SSN), when provided by the district;
- Name of the Medicaid client;
- MAA-generated Patient Identification Code (PIC);
- Dates of Medicaid eligibility (up to five periods of eligibility will be provided);
- Address of the Medicaid client. This can be used by districts to indicate whether the "matched" Medicaid client is the student being served by that district. For example, if the address for the Medicaid "matched" child is Spokane and the child is being served by a Tacoma district, the Tacoma district may determine this to be the same child if its records indicate the child just moved into its district from Spokane;
- Birth date and sex of the Medicaid client; and
- Third-party insurance information for clients who are privately insured. **Districts may choose not to bill Medicaid for special education students who have third-party insurance coverage.**

Go to MAA's website at http://maa.dshs.wa.gov, Billing Instructions link to download a copy of MAA's General Information Booklet for a guide to information on the Medical ID card.

Are managed care clients eligible for MAA-reimbursable school medical services?

Healthy Options

Yes. Clients with an identifier in the HMO column on their Medical ID card are enrolled in one of MAA's Healthy Options managed care plans. If a child is enrolled in an MAA Healthy Options managed care plan, MAA pays for services provided in the schools that are part of the IEP/IFSP. Bill MAA directly for these services.

Privately Purchased

No. Treat privately purchased managed health care coverage as any other third-party insurance. Privately purchased managed health coverage will be listed in the column titled TPL (Third-Party Liability) in the MAA/OSPI eligibility match list.